#### **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO...**

Sunday, March 20: Jessica Curtin, Delaney Williamson Elaine Cornillaud, Peggy Steele

Tuesday, March 22: Mandy Voss

Wednesday, March 23: Rich Spoenlein, Andy Strelcheck, Gabby Zimmer

Thursday, March 24: Mary Corrello, Dallas Wood, Will Parker,

Nicole Bullis, Henry Davis

Friday, March 25: Grant Pelham

Saturday, March 26: Fran Newman, Marie Purcell, Evelyn Towns,

Lisa Weitz, Will Allen

If you see someone whose birthday is listed and you haven't seen them in church recently, give them a call!

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by



# Presbyterian Women Gifts of Women



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# Jackie & Jerry Koski In Loving Memory of Mother, Addline Reimer

Flower orders & donation costs for flowers ordered for worship are made using the "2022 Flower Reservation Chart" on the bulletin board across from the kitchen, or you may send your information directly to communications@northwoodpc.org

Please remember to mark "flowers" and the date on your \$30 donation. Thank you to those providing flowers each week In Honor/In Memory of someone or an anniversary/birthday!

#### FAITHFULLY SERVING NORTHWOOD CHURCH TODAY

#### **GREETERS:**

(9:00) Pat Donnelly & Marie Ziegler

(11:00) Jill Loomis & Ellen Stoup



## **USHERS:**

(9:00) Nancy Turner & Linda Granata

(11:00) Kim Blackmore & Eleanor Cicerchi

"But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith."

Galatians 3:25

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

#### Experiencing God Class, led by Vicki Krueger

The Experiencing God class offers you a place to connect with other believers in the study of God's word and how it applies to our daily lives. Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. We will be meeting online using Zoom. Email Vicki Krueger at vickilee33@aol.com for the link and for any technical help or questions.

#### Presbyterian Women, led by Patty Martin and Sue Miskiewicz

The Presbyterian Women unified circle meets the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00am in rooms 4-8. We are studying a 9 month bible study entitled *What my Grandmothers Taught Me by Merryl Blair*. Chris Curvin will be teaching each lesson via Livestream, and our circle will have a follow-up discussion of the lesson. The eighth lesson will be Thursday, April 7th at 11:00am. If you'd like a book, or more information regarding the multiple activities that Presbyterian Women engage in, please contact Patty Martin at <a href="mailto:bill.martin2@verizon.net">bill.martin2@verizon.net</a> or Sue Miskiewicz at <a href="mailto:susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com">susan.miskiewicz@yahoo.com</a>.

#### Fresh Brewed,

Fresh Brewed will meet Friday, April 1st at 10:30am. We will meet in rooms 5 & 7 of the Christian Education building. The book we are studying is *From Daughters to Disciples* by Lynn Japinga. If you need a book, please contact Marti Huff at marti.huff.np@gmail.com. If you have any questions, please contact Louise Mylin at (727) 787-9868 or LVNM1@hotmail.com.

#### Biblical TakeAways, led by Claudia Alwood & Garry Justice

"Biblical TakeAways" is a 10-10:45 AM adult Sunday School study class which is nestled between the two Northwood Sunday morning services and will begin March 20th. This allows worshipers from both services to attend. The study and discussion will offer key "takeaways" based upon central Biblical truths and principles which are relevant for class participants to apply in their daily lives. The class draws on commentaries from noted scholars, and it will use Prof. N. T. Wright's commentary, Early Christian Letters for Everyone as the class begins a study of New Testament letters of James, Peter, John, and Jude. Join us as we study God's word!



Follow the link to view our weekly email:

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# Welcome To Northwood Presbyterian Church

A Stephen Ministry Church Organized February 19, 1978

March 20, 2022



"Daughters of Promise, Women of Faith" Joseph M. Martin (Commissioned by Steve & Debbie Lang in honor of their mothers, Rita Lang & Lila Odom)

O daughters of promise, O women of faith, come teach us compassion, and show us the way.

Come nurture our journey in glorious ways; inspire us with wisdom, and lead us today.

O daughters of promise, so precious and rare, great is your value; no gold can compare.

Gifted with marvelous mercy and love, you are a blessing from heaven above.

O daughters of promise, God's wondrous design, you are crafted and called for a purpose divine. Now this is the season, the time and the place to rejoice in your mission and celebrate grace. Great is the challenge, walk worthy; stand tall. Break down every barrier, and climb every wall. With all of your strength, be a servant to all. This is your moment to answer the call.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou my inheritance now and always. Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Come, sons and daughters, together as one, our journey, our mission has only begun. Come, walk with the Shepherd, and trust and obey, for Christ is the Life and the Truth and the Way.

Let the joy of the Lord be our candle at night, leading us on to a harvest of white, Striving with passion and worship and praise, people of promise, one family of faith.

People of promise one family of faith. We're one family of faith!

#### Ministers: All Members of the Church

E. Chris Curvin, Pastor Paul Means, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care & Mission

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## Order for the Public Worship of God March 20, 2022

## 3rd Sunday in Lent/Gifts of Women Sunday 11:00 AM Worship Service

#### WE COME TO WORSHIP

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** 

arr. Peggy Bettcher

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us" Jubilation Ringers

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Chris Curvin, Pastor

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Elaine Cornillaud

One: My heart exults in God; my strength is exalted in Jesus Christ!

All: There is no one holier than you. There is no rock like our God.

One: God makes poor and makes rich. It is God who both humbles and exalts. All: God raises up the poor from the dust; God lifts the needy from the ash heap, to place them among the mighty and promotes them to

seats of honor.

One: Let us worship God!

\*HYMN #761 (stanzas 1,2,3) "Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

BEECHER

Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace, we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace. May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend, equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.

Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth, let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth. Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old, blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.

Thus new patterns for Christ's mission, in a small or global sense, help us bear each other's burdens, breaking down each wall or fence. Words of comfort, words of vision, words of challenge, said with care, bring new power and strength for action, make us colleagues, free and fair.

**CALL TO CONFESSION** 

Jane Sumwalt

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Together)

O God, we confess that we have not always spoken up for justice. We have not stood with the oppressed. We have walked the other way, sometimes immobilized by fear and sometimes not knowing what else to do. Rekindle the gift of God within us and remind us of our faith, a faith that first lived in our grandmothers and our mothers, in our Sunday school teachers and our choir directors, in our elders and our ministers. God of grace, forgive us and transform us into whom you would have us to be, so that we delight in your will and walk in your way. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen

ANTHEM "Daughters of Promise, Women of Faith" Joseph M. Martin (Commissioned by Steve & Debbie Lang in honor of their mothers, Rita Lang & Lila Odom) (see bulletin cover)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORDS PRAYER Sue Miskiewicz Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**CALL TO OFFERING** 

Jackie Koski

\*DOXOLOGY—#606

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Jackie Koski

\*HYMN #69

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky" I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. HERE I AM

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? Refrain

I, the Lord, of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? Refrain

#### WE GROW IN THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Galatians 3:23-28** Mark 9:1-10

**SERMON** 

"Disturbing Transformations" Kaaren Nesmith, Guest Preacher

### WE GO OUT TO SERVE

\*HYMN #324

"For All the Faithful Women"

**NYLAND** 

(sung to LANCASHIRE tune, Lead On, O King Eternal) For all the faithful women who served in days of old,

to you shall thanks be given; to all, their story told. They served with strength and gladness in tasks your wisdom gave. To you their lives bore witness, proclaimed your power to save.

We praise your name for Miriam, who sang triumphantly while pharaoh's vaunted army lay drowned beneath the sea; for Ruth, who left her homeland and ventured forth in faith, who pledged to serve and worship Naomi's God till death.

We sing of busy Martha, who toiled with pot and pan while Mary sat in silence to hear the word again. We praise the other Mary, who hastened to the tomb and found her Lord arisen, dispelling doubt and gloom.

Lord, hear our praise of Dorcas, who served the sick and poor. Her hands were cups of kindness, her heart an open door. O God, for saints and servants, our fervent prayer we raise, that, faithful in your service, our lives may sing your praise.

\*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Deep River"

Spiritual/arr. Held

\*Congregation will stand. If standing is difficult for you, feel free to remain seated.

Stephanie Carson, Music Director; Linda Pointer, Guest Organist

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**COUNTDOWN** 

**WELCOME** 

**PRAISE SONG** 

"My Testimony"

**MEET & GREET** 

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

PRAISE SONG

"Stand In Your Love"

**SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS IN PRAYER** 

**CALL TO OFFERING** 

**OFFERTORY** 

"So Will I"

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**SONG OF DEDICATION** 

"Whom Shall I Fear"

**GOD'S BLESSING TO YOU** 

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